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SUBJECT: SWEDISH MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS GIVE STRIKE NOTICE
FOR MAY 29

1. SWEDISH MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS' UNION, AFFILIATE
OF TCO, HAS DEPOSITED STRIKE NOTICE EFFECTIVE MIDNIGHT
MAY 29. STRIKE THREAT INVOLVES VESSELS OWNED BY
MEMBERS OF SWEDISH SHIPOWNERS' ASSOCIATION WHICH
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ARE PRESENTLY IN OR BOUND FOR EUROPEAN PORTS NORTH

OF BREST, FRANCE, I.E. ALL NORTHERN EUROPEAN PORTS, INCLUDING BRITISH ISLES. PORTS IN EAST GERMANY, POLAND, USSR ARE EXEMPT FROM STRIKE NOTICE AS ARE ALL AUTO AND TRUCK FERRIES. ESTIMATED 50-100 SWEDISH VESSELS EMPLOYING SEVERAL HUNDRED SHIPS' OFFICERS EXPECTED TO BE AFFECTED. SHIPS AT SEA WHEN STRIKE BEGINS WILL BE DIVERTED TO NEAREST AVAILABLE PORT.

2. CONFLICT IS OVER WAGES. OWNERS OFFERING 6.5 PER CENT WHILE SHIPS' OFFICER, WHO MAINTAIN THEY ARE BASICALLY ILL-PAID, ASKING FOR 30 PER CENT, LARGEST PART OF WHICH IS ACCOUNTED FOR IN DEMAND FOR SHORTENING WORK WEEK FROM PRESENT 56 TO EVENTUALLY 40 HOURS.

3. AS EXPORT-ORIENTED NATION PRESSURES WILL BUILD TO RESOLVE CONFLICT WITHOUT STRIKE. NEGOTIATIONS THROUGH CONCILIATION BOARD SCHEDULED TO RESUME MAY 25. IF RECENT PATTERN IS REPEATED SETTLEMENT WILL BE RELATIVELY GENEROUS.
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